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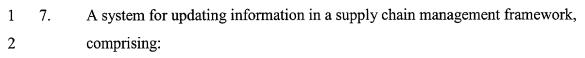
What is claimed is:

1   1.   A method for updating information in a supply chain management framework,

2   comprising:

3   a)   registering a plurality of stores of a supply chain utilizing a network, the

4   registration including receiving first identification information;

5   b)   collecting data from a plurality of stores of the supply chain utilizing the network,

6   the data relating to the sale of goods by the stores and including second

7   identification information more recent than the first identification information;

8   c)   allowing access to the data utilizing a network-based interface;

9   d)   comparing the first identification information with the second identification

10   information; and

11   e)   updating the registration of the stores based on the comparison.

1   2.   The method of claim 1, wherein the updating includes updating the first

2   identification information to include the second identification information.

1   3.   The method of claim 1, wherein the updating includes updating a distributor

2   assigned to the stores based on the comparison.

1   4.   The method of claim 1, wherein the first information includes a store

2   identification number.

1   5.   The method of claim 1, wherein the registration is further updated based on the

2   data.

1   6.   The method of claim 1, wherein the network includes the Internet.

1   7.   A system for updating information in a supply chain management framework,

2   comprising:

3   a)   logic for registering a plurality of stores of a supply chain utilizing a network, the

4   registration including receiving first identification information;

5   b)   logic for collecting data from a plurality of stores of the supply chain utilizing the

6   network, the data relating to the sale of goods by the stores and including second

7   identification information more recent than the first identification information;

8   c)   logic for allowing access to the data utilizing a network-based interface;

9   d)   logic for comparing the first identification information with the second

10   identification information; and

11   e)   logic for updating the registration of the stores based on the comparison.

1   8.   The system of claim 7, wherein the updating includes updating the first

2   identification information to include the second identification information.

1   9.   The system of claim 7, wherein the updating includes updating a distributor

2   assigned to the stores based on the comparison.

1   10.   The system of claim 7, wherein the first information includes a store identification

2   number.

1   11.   The system of claim 7, wherein the registration is further updated based on the

2   data.

1   12.   The system of claim 7, wherein the network includes the Internet.

1   13.   A computer program product for updating information in a supply chain

2   management framework, comprising:

3   a)   computer code for registering a plurality of stores of a supply chain utilizing a

4   network, the registration including receiving first identification information;

5 b) computer code for collecting data from a plurality of stores of the supply chain

6   utilizing the network, the data relating to the sale of goods by the stores and

7   including second identification information more recent than the first

8   identification information;

9 c) computer code for allowing access to the data utilizing a network-based interface;

10 d) computer code for comparing the first identification information with the second

11   identification information; and

12 e) computer code for updating the registration of the stores based on the comparison.

1 14. The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the updating includes

2   updating the first identification information to include the second identification

3   information.

1 15. The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the updating includes

2   updating a distributor assigned to the stores based on the comparison.

1 16. The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the first information includes

2   a store identification number.

1 17. The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the registration is further

2   updated based on the data.

1 18. The computer program product of claim 13, wherein the network includes the

2   Internet.

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